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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of:

CHOW and TONAI

Application No.: 09/747,391

Filed: December 20, 2000

For: HIGH THROUGHPUT METHODS  
OF HLA TYPING

Examiner: Einsmann, Juliet Caroline

Art Unit: 1634

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed June 19, 2002. A petition to extend the time for response for two months is included. The original due date is September 19, 2002. With a two month extension the response is due November 19, 2002. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel claims 16-28 without prejudice to subsequent revival.

Please amend claim 11 as follows: